# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# FINANCE
# LOK SABHA

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THEFT OF SECURITY PAPERS
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) Whether it is a fact that glaring discrepancy has taken place in the siphoning off security paper in large quantity some where in the supply chain to Telgi`s gang;

(b) If so, whether the matter has been enquired into and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the scam has brought to light the malpractices plaguing the Government`s procurement mechanism; and

(d) if so, the action proposed to be taken by the Government to streamline its procurement mechanism?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a)&(b) : No, Sir. There are no reports of siphoning off security paper in the supply chain of Telgi`s operation so far.

There have been some instances of theft reported by Central Stamp Depot, Nashik:

(c)&(d) : There are no malpractices plaguing the Government procurement practice. However, in the light of the scam, besides strict adherence to the procedures laid down in the Financial Rules of the Government, all safeguards prescribed by Security agencies from time to time are being followed.